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Remarks

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's determination that claims 57, 59 and 60 contain allowable subject matter. However, claims 57 and 59 have been amended to improve their form.

Applicants also would like to extend their sincere thanks to the Examiner for conducting an interview on January 12, 2005.

Pursuant to the Interview, applicants have amended claims 62, 68 and 73. Claims 65 and 75 have also been amended to properly reference independent claims 62 and 73. Applicants respectfully submit that amended claims 62, 68 and 73, together with their dependent claims, are patentable over the cited references of record including Daudelin.

In view of the foregoing, each of claims 57, 59, 60, 62, 63, 65, 66, 68, 69, 72, 73, 75 and 76, as amended, is believed to be in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration of these claims is requested and allowance of the application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully,

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